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Re: Hearst-Argyle Stations, Inc., Station KNCA834
Request for Refund of Renewal Application
Fee Control No. 0207108994884374

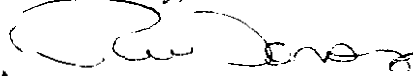
Dear Mr. Ramsey:

This letter responds to your request (dated August 6, 2002) submitted on behalf of Hearst-Argyle Stations, Inc. (Hearst-Argyle) for a refund of the \$100.00 renewal application fee filed in connection with Station KNCA834. In your request, you state that Hearst-Argyle inadvertently filed the renewal application with the Commission and that Hearst-Argyle had intended to cancel the license. Our records reflect that pursuant to Hearst-Argyle's renewal application (which was filed with the required \$100.00 filing fee), the Commission renewed the license for Station KNCA834 (for a 10-year term with an expiration date of July 11, 2012) on July 10, 2002. Our records also reflect that pursuant to a request filed by Hearst-Argyle on August 2, 2002, the Commission cancelled the license for Station KNCA834 on August 3, 2002.

Filing fees accompanying requests for the Commission's regulatory services listed in Sections 1.1102 – 1.1107 are only refundable in the limited circumstances set forth in Section 1.1113. None of those circumstances are applicable here. **Thus**, the fact that Hearst-Argyle may have filed the renewal application for Station KNCA834 in error provides insufficient grounds for a grant of your refund request, particularly given that the Commission processed and granted the renewal application. We therefore deny your request for a refund of the \$100.00 renewal application fee filed in connection with Station KNCA834.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact the Revenue and Receivables Operations Group at (202) 418-1995.

Sincerely,


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August 6, 2002

Via Overnight Mail

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Re: Request for Refund of Fees
Hearst-Argyle Stations, Inc., KNCA834
FCC File Number 0000957285

Dear Mr. Fishel:

The purpose of this letter is to request a refund of the filing fee associated with the above captioned renewal application filed on behalf of Hearst-Argyle Stations, Inc. (FRN: 0001-5875-83).

The application was filed inadvertently with the Commission on July 10, 2002. The applicant had intended to cancel the license. The license was cancelled on August 2, 2002 (FCC File No.: 0000985003), and this letter requests refund of the \$100 filing fee paid by Hearst-Argyle Television, Inc. for the inadvertent renewal. Attached, please find a copy of the FCC Form 159 associated with the renewal application.

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Mr. Andrew S. Fishel
August 6, 2002
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We respectfully request that the refund be issued in the name of Hearst-Argyle Television, Inc. and returned to the following address:

Brooks, Pierce, McLendon, Humphrey, and Leonard, L.L.P.
150 Fayetteville Street Mall
Suite 1600
P.O. Box 1800
Raleigh, NC 27602

If any questions should arise during the course of your consideration of this matter, it is respectfully requested that you communicate with this office.

Sincerely,

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